

How will Annexation Affect LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDERS?

Who provides service to the North Highline communities now and who will provide it if the area is annexed by either the City of Burien or the City of Seattle.

Public services that would not change include schools, regional human services, transit, and regional parks. In other words, after annexation, existing school district boundaries would remain as they are, and regional transit, health and regional parks will continue to be provided by King County. Service delivery could change—from County to City—for police, land-use planning and permitting, and local parks.

Service	Served Now By...	If Annexed to Burien	If Annexed to Seattle
Schools	Highline School District	No change	No change
Library	King County Library System	No change	City of Seattle Library System
Sewer	SW Suburban, Val Vue	No change	Seattle Public Utilities (after transition period)
Garbage/ Recycling	Waste Management (optional pick-up)	Waste Management (optional pick-up)	Seattle Public Utilities (mandatory pick-up)
Legislative (Council)	Metropolitan King County Council	Burien City Council (7 members)	Seattle City Council (9 members)
Parks	King County Parks & Recreation	Burien Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Department	Seattle Parks & Recreation
Permitting & Zoning	King County Development & Environmental Services (DDES)	City of Burien Department of Community Development	City of Seattle Department of Planning & Development
Fire & Emergency Medical Services	Fire District 11	No change	Seattle Fire Department
Animal Control	King County Animal Control	No change (service contract with Burien)	Seattle Animal Shelter
Police Services	King County Sheriff	No change (service contract with Burien)	City of Seattle Police Department
Local Roads	King County Department of Transportation	No change (service contract with Burien)	Seattle Department of Transportation
Bus Service	King County Metro	No change	No change
Court Services	King County District Court (misdemeanors, small claims)	No change	Municipal Court of Seattle (misdemeanors) King County District Court (small claims)